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The beginning or starting point; specific uses include:

*Transportation Engineering:* The location from which a passenger's trip itinerary initially departs.

*Cartography:* In surveying and map construction, the point from which angles and distances are measured.

*Computer Technology:* The beginning address of a program segment, as determined by the linking loader when it reads the segment into memory; used to adjust all relative addresses in the segment and in external tables.

*Genetics:* A sequence of DNA in which replication is initiated.

*Mathematics:* The point in Cartesian space at which all the coordinates are zero.

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